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T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, December 23, 1895. 343

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T. JACKSON,
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Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1515

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Hongkong, October 28, 1895. 1711

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J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, December 18, 1895. 228

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Hongkong, September 18, 1895. 846

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Hongkong, December 4, 1895. 2264

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No. 5.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 20th day of January, 1896, at 3 p.m., are published for general information.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 4th December, 1895. 89

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 20th day of January, 1896, at 3 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, at Shau-ki-wan West, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	s.	E.	W.	Square feet.	Acres.	Annual Rent.	Premium.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.			$	$
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Hongkong, January 15, 1896. 115

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HOUSE No. 17, MOSQUE JUNCTION.
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Hongkong, January 14, 1896. 108

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Hongkong, November 30, 1895. 2223

Notices of Firms.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.
MESSRS. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. have This Day been appointed SUB-AGENTS of the above Company.
1st January, 1896.
S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.

WITH Reference to the above we are prepared to ACCEPT FIRE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
82 *Sub-Agents.*

NOTICE.
WE have This Day authorized Mr. CHARLES JULIUS LARRENTZ to Sign our Firm by Procuration.
ROWE & Co.
Canton, 11th January, 1896. 78

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. ALFRED F. O. KRAUSS, and Mr. PHILLIP BERNARD SCHMACKER
Retire from our Firm on the 31st December, 1895, and that Mr. FRIEDRICH CARL PAUL SACHSE,
Mr. CHARLES ERNEST RAYNER,
Mr. GUSTAV ADOLPH DEGENER
BONING,
have To-day been ADMITTED PARTNERS.
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, Hamburg, China, 1st January, 1896. 1

Intimations.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1,165.
A Regular MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 16th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED to attend.
Hongkong, January 16, 1896. 76

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
In the Matter of the Estate of GOTHFRIED WEBER, late of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, *Deceased.*
NOTICE is hereby given that His Honour Sir FIELDING CLARKE, Knight, Chief Justice, has, by virtue of Section 3 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, made an Order limiting to the 26th FEBRUARY, 1896, the time for sending in CLAIMS against the said Estate.
All Creditors are hereby required to send in their CLAIMS to the Undersigned before the said date.
Dated the 26th November, 1895.
F. A. HAZELAND,
Acting Registrar and Acting Official Administrator.
2326

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Eleventh Ordinary General MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 20th day of January, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1895.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 21st Instant, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 9, 1896. 64

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Eighth Ordinary MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1896, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1895.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 15th, to THURSDAY, the 23rd January, 1896 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 9, 1896. 66

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED AND REDUCED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Fifty-Ninth Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 31st Instant, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Auditors.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st Instant, inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 13, 1896. 60

Notices to Consignees.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMSHIP *TACOMA*,
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.
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DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
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Hongkong, January 14, 1896. 110

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Hongkong, January 10, 1896. 70

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Hongkong, December 30, 1895. 251

To-day's Advertisements.

VICTORIA LODGE

No. 1026.

A Regular MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Inst., at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED.

Hongkong, January 16, 1896. 116

HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of the Company will be held at its REGISTERED OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the 28th day of January instant, at Noon, when the Subjoined Resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 11th of January instant, will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution, viz.:—

'That the HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, be wound-up voluntarily, under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1890, and that CREASY EWENS, of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, be, and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding-up.'

Dated the 11th day of January, 1896.

W. A. DUFF,
Secretary.

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NOTICE.

WITH reference to the above Notice the Business of the Company will not be interrupted and Orders will be received as heretofore by the Undersigned,

W. A. DUFF,
Secretary.

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To-day's Advertisements.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

THE Annual General MEETING of SEATHOLDERS & SUBSCRIBERS will be held in the VESTRY, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Instant, at 4.30 p.m., for the purpose of Receiving a Statement of Accounts, and Electing the Lay Members of the Church Body, and the Auditor for 1896.

CHARLES FORD,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, January 16, 1896. 117

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Seventh Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 30th January, 1896, at 12 o'Clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Twelve Months ending the 31st December, 1895.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 25th January, to THURSDAY, the 30th January, 1896, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.;
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Hongkong, January 16, 1896. 125

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HELD for the residue of a term of 75 years from the 8th February, 1888, SUBJECT to the payment of the Annual Crown Rent of $64 per annum and to the performance of the Crown Covenants to be performed in respect thereof. Subject also to the Annual payment of $1 per annum to the Government for the right to pass over Government Ground to the entrance door of the said Messuage on the North side of the said Lot from Aberdeen Road. Subject also to the existing lease from the 1st day of April 1895 for a term of 2 years at the monthly rental of $110, exclusive of taxes.

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The Lot is situate in one of the best parts of the Peak, having an uninterrupted view of the Village of Aberdeen and bay immediately beneath, and extensive views of the Sea and Islands in the distance.

For Further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS,
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18, Bank Buildings, Hongkong,
or to
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA.



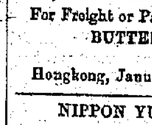
The Steamship
Hupeh,
Captain QUAIL, will be despatched on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Agents.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR BOMBAY.



The Co.'s Steamship
Wakanoura Maru,
will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight.

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FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY.

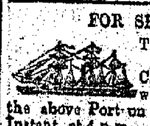


The Co.'s Steamship
Idzumi Maru,
Captain RENNY, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, January 16, 1896. 128

FOR SHANGHAI.



The Steamship
Peiyang,
Captain TH. LEHMANN, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 21st Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.



The Steamship
Kaifong,
Captain DEWAR, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 17th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.



The Steamship
Taiwan,
Captain BENSON, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 17th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI *VIA* SWATOW.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE).



The Steamship
Yiksang,
Capt. H. ROOPE, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 17th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.



The Steamship
Taiyuan,
Captain NELSON, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 17th Instant, at 4 p.m.

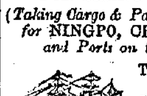
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Agents.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI *VIA* AMOY.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE).



The Co.'s Steamship
Diomed,
Captain BARTLETT, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 18th Instant.

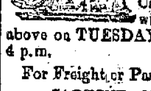
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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE).



The Co.'s Steamship
Taksang,
Capt. W. H. FREEMAN, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 21st Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

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FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL AND BREMEN).



The Steamship
Thekla,
Capt. E. CHRISTIANSEN, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 5th February.

For Freight, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

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Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

BRODICK CASTLE, British ship, Capt. R. M. Ferguson.—Shewan & Co.

DANIEL BARNES, American ship, Capt. C. O. Arpe.—Master.

HIGHLAND FOREST, Brit. barque, Capt. Dermody.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

JOHN BAILEY, Amer. barquentine, Capt. F. P. Shepherd.—Captain.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

January 15:—

Taksang, British steamer, 977, W. H. Freeman, Wuhu and Chinkiang January 10, Rice and Ground nuts.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Kweilin, British steamer, 1,088, J. B. Harris, Wuhu January 8, and Chinkiang 11, Grain, &c.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

January 16:—

Choysang, British str., from Canton.
Pooting, British steamer, from Canton.
Glenfarg, British str., 2,316, F. Selby, Japan via Swatow January 15, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Store Nordiske, Danish telegraph steamer, 593, E. Sudnson, Amoy January 12, Cable.—G. N. TELEGRAPH Co.
Wenchow, British steamer, 684, Wright, Shanghai January 12, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Mascotte, British steamer, 2,013, Ross, Moji January 10, Coal.—BRADLEY & Co.

CLEARED.

Santa Cruz, for St. Davido.
Pienciola, for Saigon.
Activ, for Hoihow.
Thales, for Swatow.
Ching Ping, for Shanghai.
Dewawongse, for Bangkok.
Sishan, for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

January 16:—

Kung-ping, for Canton.
Peiyang, for Canton.
Taksang, for Canton.
Kweilin, for Canton.
Kaisar-i-Hind, for Europe, &c.
Hong Kong, for Haiphong.
Wing Hong, for Swatow.
Zafiro, for Amoy.
Kwong Mo, for Amoy.
Wenchow, for Canton.
Choysang, for Swatow.
Paoting, for Shanghai.
Glenfarg, for Singapore and London.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Taksang*, from Wuhu, 6 Chinese.
Per *Kweilin*, from Wuhu, 3 Chinese.
Per *Glenfarg*, from Japan, &c., Mrs Green, for London; and 515 Chinese.
Per *Wenchow*, from Shanghai, 5 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Kaisar-i-Hind*, from Hongkong: for Singapore, Mr and Mrs Ward; for Colombo, Mrs Hoffmann; for Bombay, Mr M. Ibrahim Khan Sahaf Bashi; for Brindisi, Sir Fielding and Lady Clarke, Rev. and Mrs McClelland, Mr C. Young, and Mr F. B. Smith; for London, Messrs W. Brown, R.N., W. R. Horsey, R.N., G. L. Clarke, R.N., Wm. T. Glynn, L. W. Sharpe, J. Turnbull, E. Dicks and B. Howard. From Shanghai: for Singapore, Mr Cameron Rogers, Col. and Mrs Rochfort, and Miss Daunt; for Brindisi, Mrs Scranton and 4 children, Mr and Mrs H. Jones; for London, Messrs Joseph Beattie and W. R. Ainsworth. From Yokohama: for Ismailia, Mrs S. M. Bradbury, Misses M. Bradbury, L. Bradbury and M. Verdon, and Mr Lewis Bradbury, Miss N. G. Woolrich; for London, Messrs E. Gauntlett and W. H. Peech; for Sydney, Mr W. F. Wheeler. From Nagasaki: for Singapore, Mr G. C. Anderson; for Colombo, Mr R. D. Carson; for London, Mr Cherikoff.

Per *Hongkong*, for Haiphong, Rev. Couman, Messrs Chaumier, Tarenne, Mulenier, White, and 40 Chinese.

Per *Zafiro*, for Amoy, 8 Europeans and 20 Chinese.

Per *Wing Hong*, for Swatow, 150 Chinese.

Per *Taisang*, for Shanghai, Mrs Eganson.

Per *Choysang*, for Swatow, 120 Chinese.

Per *Glenfarg*, for Singapore, 7 Europeans, and 515 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Picciola*, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.
Per *Activ*, for Hoihow, 60 Chinese.
Per *Thales*, for Swatow, 4 Europeans, and 100 Chinese.
Per *Dewawongse*, for Bangkok, 15 Chinese.
Per *Sishan*, for Swatow, 50 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Taksang* reports: Had calms and light variable winds to the Brothers. Thence to port, strong N.E. breeze and overcast weather.

The British steamer *Kweilin* reports: First part calm and variable airs to Brothers; thence increasing N.E. winds and overcast.

The British steamer *Glenfarg* reports: Had strong NE. winds and cloudy weather from Swatow.

The British steamer *Mascotte* reports; Had fresh North to N.W. winds on leaving Moji; thence wind veered round to S.E., with light breeze and calms as far as Turnabout; then had fresh N.N.E. to N.E. monsoon to port.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

FOR BANGKOK.—
Per *Dewawongse*, at 9.30 a.m., on Friday, the 17th inst., instead of as previously notified.
Per *Victoria*, at 9.30 a.m., on Friday, the 17th inst.

FOR SHANGHAI.—
Per *Taiwan*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 17th inst.

FOR SINGAPORE & PENANG.—
Per *Amara*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 17th inst.
Per *Tritos*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 17th inst.

FOR SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—
Per *Yiksang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 17th inst.

FOR YOKOHAMA & KOBE.—
Per *Taiyuan*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 17th inst.

FOR SINGAPORE, THURSDAY ISLAND & SYDNEY.—
Per *Amur*, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 18th inst.

FOR SHANGHAI.—
Per *Peiyang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 21st inst.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA.—
Per *Tacoma*, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 23rd inst., instead of as previously notified.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Sydney* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Instant, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *viâ Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal, and the Cape Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY Co.'s PACKET.—

The Canadian-Pacific-Mail Packet *Empress of China* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd Jan., with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, the United States' Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

1 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet *with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—

The United States Mail Packet *City of Peking* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 25th Instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

11.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.30 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

REGISTRATION.—Correspondence can be registered for all Private Ship mails up to five minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai, or Yokohama contract mails, up to a quarter of an hour before; for mails for Europe, &c., up to an hour before; American, Canadian Indian, Northern Pacific and Torres Strait mails, up to half an hour before.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Thales* leaves for Swatow, &c.
Daylight.—*Kaifong* leaves for Shanghai.
Noon.—*Taiwan* leaves for Shanghai.
4 p.m.—*Yiksang* leaves for Shanghai, &c.
4 p.m.—*Taiyuan* leaves for Y'hama, &c.
4 p.m.—*Amara* leaves for Straits.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, January 18:—
Transfer Books of The Hongkong, Canton & Macao Co., Ltd., and Reduced, closed from this date to 31st Instant.

MONDAY, January 20:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Shau-ki-wan West.
Goods per *Gisela* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
9.15 p.m.—Concert at the City Hall.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Eothen Mark Lodge.

TUESDAY, January 21:—
9 p.m.—Convocation of Victoria Chapter.

WEDNESDAY, January 22:—
4.30 p.m.—Meeting of Seatholders and Subscribers of St. John's Cathedral in the Vestry.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

THURSDAY, January 23:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices.
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Brick & Cement Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

FRIDAY, January 31:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., and Reduced, at the Company's Office.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, January 16, 1896.

On London—	
Bank, Wire, ...	2/1½
" On demand, ...	2/1½
" 30 days' sight, ...	—
" 4 months' sight, ...	2/1⅞
Credits, 4 "	2/2⅛
Documentary, 4 months' sight, ...	2/2⅛
On Paris—	
On demand, ...	2.70
Credits, 4 months' sight, ...	2.75
On Berlin—Demand, ...	2.19
On New York—	
On demand, ...	—
Credits, 60 days' sight, ...	—
On Bombay—	
Wire, ...	183½
On demand, ...	183½
On Calcutta—	
Wire, ...	183½
On demand, ...	183½
On Shanghai—	
On demand, ...	72
30 days' sight, private paper ...	72½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	$47.90
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$ 9.14
Silver (per oz.)	30⅝d.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, January 16, 1896.

OPIUM—New Patna, cash,...	760
" Old " cash,...	770
" New Benares, cash,	750
" Old " cash,	762½
" New Malwa, credit,	—
" Allowance, Taels,...	—
" Old Malwa, credit,	—
" Allowance, Taels,...	—
" Persian, Oily, cash,...	—
" Allowance, Taels,...	—
" Persian, Paper tied	—
" Allowance, Taels,...	—

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PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

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CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked " " is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

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Hongkong, January 9, 1896. 75

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 1896.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Inchduns*, Dec. 17; *Romney*, 24.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Palamed*, Dec. 26; *Glengyle*, *M. Bacquehem*, *Pingmey*, *Strathclyde*, 24.

Mails.

The German Mail steamer *Karlsruhe*, with Berlin dates to the 16th Dec., left Singapore on Sunday, 12th inst., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 18th inst., at daylight.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Oceanien*, with the FRENCH MAIL of 20th December, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 14th instant, at 10 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 21st inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on November 13.

The s.s. *Empress of India* left Vancouver on Thursday morning, the 9th inst., and may be expected to reach Yokohama about Tuesday, the 21st inst.

The O and O. s.s. *Afrid*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 11th instant.

The P. M. s.s. *China*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 31st Dec. destination on the 4th Jan.

The N. P. s.s. *Victoria* left Tacoma for this port, via usual ports of call in Japan and China on Monday, the 6th inst.

Steamers Expected.

The steamer *Chelydra*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore on the 10th inst., at 6 p.m., and is now due.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Diomed*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 11th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 17th inst.

The s. s. *Glenfruin*, from Middlesbro, London and Straits, left Singapore on Sunday morning, the 12th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 18th inst.

The s. s. *Eton* left Singapore on the 14th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 21st inst.

The N. Y. K. steamer *Hiroshima Maru*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 14th inst., and is due here on or about the 21st inst.

The P. & O. s.s. *Hydaspes* left Bombay for this port on the 6th inst.

The N. G. I. s.s. *Bisagno* left Bombay for this port on Jan. 8, and may be expected here on or about the 29th January.

Latest Advices.

The P. M. s.s. *City of Peking*, with the American mail of Dec. 21, left Nagasaki on Wednesday, the 15th inst., at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 19th inst.

The China Mutual Company's s. s. *Oopack*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the morning of the 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst.

The P. & O. s.s. *Java*, from China, arrived at London on the morning of the 15th inst.

THE U.S.S. *Detroit* leaves this port for Amoy and Nagasaki to-morrow.

ORDERS for jinrickshas for the Straits Settlements are so plentiful that the Tokio builders will have their hands full, so it is reported, for the whole of the current year.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—Poultry Guild, $40; S.S. *Namoa* (Fines), $4.

THIS morning a large party assembled at Pedder's Wharf to bid farewell to Sir Fielding and Lady Clarke, who sailed by the P. and O. steamer *Kaiser-I-Hind* for England prior to proceeding to Jamaica. Amongst those present were General and Mrs Black, the Attorney General and Mrs Goodman, Mr T. Jackson, Dr Hertigan, Mr E. Robinson, Mr A. G. Stoker, Mr C. A. Tomes, Mr N. J. Ede, Mr R. M. Gray, Mr A. Seth, Mr F. A. Hazeland, Mr H. J. Holmes, Mr J. F. Reece, &c. A number of personal friends accompanied Sir Fielding and Lady Clarke on board the steamer.

A CRICKET Match—Cricket Club v. The Garrison—will be played on Friday and Saturday next. The following are the teams:—*Cricket Club*—C. M. Firth, E. W. Maitland, F. Maitland, J. A. Lowson, T. S. Smith, A. S. Auton, R. H. Hancock, A. Anderson, Surg. Pead, R.N., T. Shelford, R.N., R. F. Lammert. *The Garrison*—G. D. Campbell, H.K.R., Capt. Dyson, A.P.D., Rev. G. Vallings, G. Paley, R.B., C. W. Knox, R.B., C. Percival, R.B., Capt. Eccles, R.B., Surg.-Maj. Johnston, A.M.S., R. Alexander, R.B., S. E. Holland, R.B., Pte. Green. By the courtesy of Major The Hon. E. Noel and the Officers of the Rifle Brigade, the Band of the Regiment will play upon the ground on Saturday afternoon.

ABOUT half-past eleven o'clock last night, one of the little houses within the compound of the Mahomedan Mosque, at the top of Shelley Street, and occupied by some Mahomedan paupers, came down with a crash, burying three unfortunate Moors under the *débris*. The noise attracted a large number of people to the scene of the accident, and they at once began to remove the *débris* to rescue the unfortunate wretches beneath. They succeeded in extricating them in more or less injured condition. One old man, who appears to have suffered most, was removed to the hospital, by direction of Dr Marques. The fallen structure was one of those old buildings erected nobody knows when, and its dilapidated condition would doubtless have attracted the attention of the P. W. D. had it been located outside in open view.

BANJOES, Guitars, Mandolines, Autoharps, Violins, also Strings and Fittings for sale at W. Robinson and Co.

THE rule against Mr A. C. S. Manners was called at the Magistracy to-day. Mr E. C. Ellis, who again appeared on behalf of the accused, was informed that the charge against his client had been withdrawn and all proceedings dropped.

AT the Harbour Master's Court to-day Captain Dermody of the *Highland Forest* charged C Sorensen A.B., with refusing to obey orders and absenting himself from the ship. Captain Ramsay, who heard the case, sentenced the accused to seven days' hard labour.

AN inquiry was held at the Magistracy this afternoon, by Mr T. Sercombe Smith, into the death of the boy who was found by a *kolong* on Sunday morning on the hillside at Richmond Street. Nothing was elicited as to how he came by his death, but the cause of death was found to be due to asphyxia caused by his queue being tightly wound round his neck.

VESSELS IN THE DOCKS.—At *Kowloon*—H. I. G. M. S. *Kaiser*, *Reina Cristina*, *Kong Beng*, *Doris*, *Chowfa*, *Coloma*, *Ask*, *Taiyick*, *Rio*.

Cosmopolitan—*Rhodora*, *Martha*.

Aberdeen—*Aalsmo*.

A HAVANA telegram in American papers says that American-owned sugar property in Cuba worth $200,000,000 (gold) is jeopardised by General Maximo Gomez's recent order to destroy every estate whose owner tries to make sugar this winter. Many of the American sugar properties on the island will be forced into bankruptcy if they are not permitted to make a crop the coming winter.

THE adjourned case against Chan Tsoung Fat, wherein he was charged with using obscene language within the precincts of the Court, was resumed at the Magistracy to-day before Mr T. Sercombe Smith. His Worship found the charge proved, and sentenced the defendant to seven days' imprisonment. Chan Tsoung Fat has appealed against this decision, and His Worship fixed bail at $1000.

MESSRS Chater and Vernon, in their weekly share report dated Jan. 16, say:—The market has ruled dull since date of our last, and we have nothing of any importance to report. A few of the leading stocks have declined, notably Banks and Docks, but as the decline is in all probability to be accounted for by a little overspeculation for the end of the month, the disturbed state of politics and the approaching China New Year, it may be looked upon as only temporary and a recovery may reasonably be looked for.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to us as follows:—On the flagstaff in front of the newly erected Chinese Guild-hall, a Chinese flag is flying. The site of this Guild-hall is (according to maps of the locality) Possession Point. Being behind the now notorious Tung Wah Hospital and the Chinese Recreation Ground, it is in full view of the Chinese hive and was doubtless so intended to be. Consuls hoist their flags, but, as the Government very properly refused to have a Chinese consul here, this symbol of Empire—or shall we say assertion of independance—should be promptly lowered. It has the air of an insult and confirms the ignorant Chinese masses in their belief that Hongkong is a mere sufferance graciously tolerated by the Son of Heaven and controlled at will by his Vermilion Pencil.

THE city of Tacoma is not only in the State of Washington, it is also in a state of excitement. A Mr Thomas Riggs, junior, has dared to profane the city with Chinese domestic servants, and the Tacoma journalist taxes his ingenuity for attractive headlines reflecting on Mr Thomas Riggs, junior, and his Celestial menials, while the city, figuratively speaking, lashes its little soul into a fury and protests vigorously against the hardihood of the daring stranger. 'For many years,' we are told, 'Tacoma has enjoyed the enviable reputation of being the one city on the Pacific coast in which the Chinese coolie found no abiding place. The force of moral sentiment which made the residence in this city of the Chinese coolie impossible has been a subject of remark and admiration by all visitors.' 'The force of moral sentiment' is a fine sounding phrase, but if our memory does not play us false, the force that was applied some ten years ago by the inhabitants of fair Tacoma (Wash.) was much more physical than sentimental. We hope that Mr Riggs—'the stranger who has hoarded the public sentiment and defied a well-grounded public opinion'—may not have cause to regret his temerity.

THE *Yomiuri* states that the late war taught the Japanese Navy the value of torpedo-boats. It has been decided to increase the number of such craft from 39 to upwards of 100, and their construction has been commenced at Tokusuka.

DESPATCHES have come to hand relating to the application of the new Tonkin loan of 100,000,000 francs guaranteed by France. A sum of 41,000,000 will be devoted to clearing off debts or liabilities, namely:—18,000,000 for the Lang Son and Phu-lang-thuong Railway; 21,000,000 for repayment of Treasury advances and other loans; and 7,000,000 for military expenses in Siam and Laos. A sum of 22,000,000 will be expended on the extension of the Lang Son Railway to Ha Noi and to Na-cham on the Chinese frontier; 6,000,000 on a line from Ha Noi to Nam Dinh; 6,000,000 on roads and bridges; 2,000,000 on Haiphong Harbour; 7,000,000 on Government buildings; and 5,000,000 on irrigation works. The remaining 40% will meet the cost of issuing the loan.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. The Hon. F. A. Cooper, Director of Public Works, presided. There were also present—Hon. W. C. H. Hastings, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police; Dr J. M. Atkinson, Acting Colonial Surgeon; Dr F. W. Clark, Medical Officer of Health; Mr N. J. Ede, and Mr H. McCallum, Secretary.

THE SUNSHADE QUESTION.

The following letter was addressed to the Board by the Colonial Secretary:—With reference to the resolution passed by the Sanitary Board on the 3rd inst., on the subject of awnings and sunshades, I am directed by the Governor to suggest that in matters affecting private property it would be advisable in future to give due notice of the action which the Board intends to take and to explain the object of such intended action to the persons concerned. In the case of Chinese the Board might usefully communicate its intentions through the usual medium, viz., the Registrar-General.

The following minutes were attached:—

Mr N. J. Ede—This only applies to awnings and sunshades and fair notice and explanation should be given. I do not agree with the M. O. H. that 'all' resolutions of the Board be sent to the Registrar General. It is only making unnecessary work.

The Health Officer—Does this apply to the abatement of nuisances on private property? If so, a reasonable notice is always given, and the Board's instructions explained both to Chinese and others.

The Colonial Surgeon—I suggest that the resolution of the Board passed on the 3rd inst. on the subject of awnings and sunshades be communicated to the Chinese through the usual medium, viz., the Registrar-General, and that the Secretary receive instructions to transmit all resolutions of the Board relating to sanitary matters affecting the Colony to the Registrar General, for his information.

The Director of Public Works—Notice of any special action should be sent to the Registrar-General.

The President said he proposed to acknowledge receipt of the letter and inform the Colonial Secretary that in the opinion of the Board it appeared desirable to send notice to the Registrar-General when special action was taken affecting the Chinese, but when it closely affected the sanitation of the colony he did not see the object of so doing.

INSANITARY WELLS.

Mr W. E. Crow, Government Analyst, certified that samples of water taken from wells at 14 Staunton Street, 29 Staunton Street, 31 Wellington Street, 108 Wellington Street, 103 Queen's Road Central, and 125 Queen's Road Central were so tainted with impurities as to prove injurious to health.

REPORT BY MR W. E. CROW.

Hongkong, 23rd Dec., 1895.

Sir,—I have the honour to report for the information of the Board that on the 1st inst., I handed over to the Secretary and to the Medical Officer of Health all the papers relating to the work on which I have been engaged since the 18th of April last, the day on which I proceeded to the Sanitary Board in pursuance of the instructions of the Government contained in C.G.O. 990.

2. The duties entrusted to me may be grouped under the following headings:—

(a) Special plague service, including the supervision of the house to house visitation parties; the inspection and disinfection of infected premises; a personal investigation of each case as soon as the notification reached the Board; the general supervision of all special work of a preventive nature ordered by the Board and the preparation of memoranda showing the progress of the disease for the information of the public through the local newspapers.

(b) The enforcement of the provisions of Ordinance 16 of 1894 concerning the occupation of basements (Sec. 6) and the retention of cocklofts and cubicles in domestic buildings, (sections 7 and 8).

(c). The removal of obstructions in alleys, streets &c. (bye-law No. 4) and backyards (bye-law No. 5).

3. The work under (a) and (b). was controlled by the Acting Captain Superintendent of Police and myself as members of the Select Committee appointed by the Board under the powers conferred by Ordnce 11 of 1895, sections 3 and 4. The duties comprised under (c) were undertaken by order of the President under the provisions of section 6 of the same Ordinance.

4. The work controlled by the Committee, in respect of (a) and (b), has been specially reported on by the Hon'ble Capt. Hastings and myself in two joint letters dated the 7th of June and the 21st Oct. in continuation of a preliminary report dated the 3rd of May last. I have now the honour to submit the following further observations and to request that they be read as supplementary to the remarks contained in those reports, copies of which are attached hereto.

Cocklofts and Cubicles.

5. The following are the boundaries of the blocks of buildings on the owners and occupiers of which the notice specified in appendix c to the Committees' last report and a copy of Government Notification No. 373 have been served:—

No. of Health District.	Names of Streets forming the boundaries.
No. 4.	D'Aguilar St., Wellington St., Wyndham and Pottinger St.
No. 5.	Peel Street, Hollywood Road, Ladder Street, Caine Road.
No. 6.	East Street, Queen's Road, Possession Street, Taipingshan Street.
No. 7.	Sai Ying Poon Nullah, Queen's Road, Western Street, Taipingshan Street.

The above refers to buildings erected before the 20th December, 1895, the date on which the *Closed Houses and Insanitary Dwellings Ordinance* passed the Legislative Council.

6. With regard to buildings subsequently erected (section 7 sub-s. 2) it was the intention of the Committee to cause a copy of Government Notification No. 407, containing the conditions of erection approved by the Board on the 27th of Sept. last, to be transmitted to the owners of new houses along with the Board's Certificate granted under Section 74 of the principal Health Ordinance (24 of 1887), also to have a copy posted by the District Inspector on the principal door of the building as soon as the Certificate had been issued, and in the event of the illegal erection of a cockloft therein to institute a prosecution forthwith.

7. The necessity of not losing any ground in the case of new buildings is obvious, and I venture to suggest that this course be adopted. It will be an easier matter for the executive to prevent the erection of cockloft than to put into operation the law to effect their removal. Moreover, the parties concerned having been instructed in the law bearing on the subject, no plea of inconvenience or hardship can reasonably be advanced.

Backyards and Streets.

8. The work involved in enforcing Bye Laws Nos. 4 and 5 has been organized so as to proceed simultaneously with the action taken in respect of the removal of cockloft under section 7 of the Ordinance. Perhaps I may be permitted to suggest that when plans for the drainage of houses are forwarded to the Board an inspection of the premises be made by a senior executive officer with the object of deciding at once as to the necessity of serving notices under the Street and Backyard Bye-laws. The proposed drainage works may be in connection with structures the continuance of which the Board would not for a moment sanction, and it would clearly be the better policy to effect their removal before any works are undertaken in connection therewith.

Basements.

9. Just before relinquishing the temporary post of Assistant Secretary, &c., information reached me that many basements are being illegally occupied after midnight. I would suggest that authority to enter after midnight be granted in all cases where access to the basements and cellars can be gained other than by entering the floors above.

Form and Service of Notices.

10. Copies of the notices used in respect of the occupation of basements and retention of cockloft and cubicles were attached to the Committee's reports of the 7th of June and 21st of October last. Appended will be found the notices adopted in the case of streets and backyards.

11. I avail myself of this opportunity to convey my thanks to the Honorable the Acting Attorney General for the assistance he has frequently rendered me in the drafting of these forms.

12. The majority of the notices have been served by the District Inspectors. Owing to the abnormal pressure of work on the Board's clerical staff it became necessary to have the notices prepared by the Chinese Interpreters to the District Inspectors, and to relegate to the latter the duty of searching the Land Office records for the names of the owners of property.

13. The adoption of this course, to which grave objections could be advanced, was the only alternative, in the absence of additional clerical assistance, to enable satisfactory progress to be made with the work.

Permits.

14. The attached permit forms for the occupation of basements and retention of cockloft were submitted to the Board on the 9th of July and approved. Books containing 250 forms on strong Japanese paper have been prepared and also a number of loose copies on ordinary paper for the purpose of drafting the date to be inserted in the body of the permit. In the case of the partitioned rooms in the cockloft form it was intended that only the area of those situated *under* the cockloft should be specified. As the full area of the mezzanine floor is to be inserted in the permit it is unnecessary to quote the area of any rooms that may be divided off *above* the cockloft.

15. As Asst. Secretary and member of the Select Committee under Ordinance 11 of this year I have conducted all correspondence in connection with the subjects under reference, and the papers in each case will be found attached to the draft of the notice originally served. All the files have been duly indexed up, and the documents relating to any particular basement, cockloft, street or backyard can be instantly referred to.

16. As regards the work in connection with the outbreak of the Bubonic Plague I have no further observations to make, beyond expressing my thanks to Chief Inspector Corcoran and the District Inspectors, Sergeants and Constables of the Police force for the assistance willingly rendered whenever I had occasion to apply to them.

17. In conclusion I will be glad at any time to place at the disposal of the Board any views on any of the subjects on which I have been especially engaged during the past seven months.—I have the honour to be, sir, your obedient servant,

W. E. CROW,
Government Analyst, &c.

The Secretary, Sanitary Board.

Captain Hastings proposed the following resolution:—'That the Board desire to record their appreciation of the very valuable services zealously rendered by Mr Crow.'

Mr N. J. Ede said he had much pleasure in seconding. Mr Crow had done excellent work, and he was glad to hear that the Government had recognised his services in an excellent manner.

Carried unanimously.

The following minutes were attached:—

Mr N. J. Ede—Mr Crow has evidently done some very valuable work.

The Colonial Surgeon—I certainly think Mr Crowe should receive some extra remuneration for the arduous and valuable work carried out by him during the most trying months of the year.

The Captain Superintendent of Police—I agree with Mr Ede.

The following resolution was proposed by Capt. Hastings:—'That Mr Crow's reports dated 23rd December, 1895, be forwarded to the Government for favourable consideration, with a warm expression of the Board's opinion of his very valuable services zealously rendered.'

It was agreed to issue the usual notices.

APPLICATION TO ERECT KITCHENS.

Permission to erect kitchens in the lane behind the houses in Tung Man Lane was refused.

A PERIODICAL CLEAN-OUT.

Dr Clark recommended for the consideration of the Board the desirability of adopting the following bye-law:—'Any house or part of a house which is occupied by members of more than one family shall be cleansed and limewashed throughout, by the owner, not less than twice in every year, namely, during the months of February or March and of September or October respectively.'

The Director of Public Works minuted—Add 'and notice of such intended cleansing and limewashing shall be sent to the Secretary of the Sanitary Board three clear days before the work is commenced.'

The bye-law was adopted.

THE IMPORTATION OF DEAD MEAT.

A Chinese butcher in the Central Market applied for permission to sell in the Central Market dead meat imported from Canton and Whampoa.

The Secretary suggested refusal, and the President added—I don't think this should be granted. It would probably lead to rejected animals being slaughtered outside the Colony, and then the meat imported as Whampoa beef.

The request was refused.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

The mortality statistics for the week ended 4th January showed that the death-rate per 1000 per annum was 19.9 as compared with 15.5 in the corresponding week of last year.

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THE P. W. D. AND MR MANNERS.

WITHDRAWAL OF CHARGE.

The following is a copy of a letter addressed to Mr A. C. S. Manners by Mr H. P. Tooker, Executive Engineer, Public Works Department:—

Government of Hongkong,
January 16, 1896.

Dear Manners,—As it has been decided not to proceed further with the case against you for riding on the Wong-Nei-Chong Recreation Ground, I think it only right to inform you of the fact in order to save you the trouble of appearing in Court to-day.—Yours truly,

(sd.) H. P. TOOKER.

One would have thought the Government or (Mr Tooker) would have taken legal advice before bringing a prosecution, against a respectable citizen for an offence, before the Police Magistrate. There are special reasons why special care ought to have been taken to obtain the best legal advice upon this matter, because it partakes something of a municipal character. The Wong-nei-cheong Valley is parcelled off amongst the various sporting sections of the community, and what we may designate as the internal administration of this ground is practically in the hands of a Committee appointed by the Governor. Where Mr Tooker comes in is a mystery to most people, and the mystery, we fancy, is now enveloping even the genial Mr Tooker himself. It must be admitted that Mr Tooker does not possess the genius for success in his prosecutions. They usually show much more shrieking than honest results—'muckle skirlin' for little wool,'—and the present case against Mr Manners is a fair specimen of the shrieking policy which the Government either adopts or initiates. If unnecessary annoyance to the community were regarded as the supreme object of the Government, they possess a grand instrument in the person of Mr Tooker for carrying out their aim. It has been insinuated, although we do not believe it, that the prosecution so foolishly taken against Mr Manners was instigated by a civilian. If so, then Mr Tooker (or the Government) is even worse than we were prepared to regard him. Why should such bunglings be permitted? The time-honoured regard which Britishers persist in maintaining for their administration is one of those feelings which lives in the face of many foolish blunders; but Mr Tooker seems to have set himself towards the destruction of that sentiment with a determination which might be better expended upon the maintenance of the roads of the Colony. 'Irresponsible chatterers' are now tabooed on high authority, but it may be of greater importance to see that irresponsible prosecutors should be seen to, and muzzled, or otherwise kept in check. Mr Tooker kindly condescends to say to 'dear Manners' that he doesn't intend to go on with his charge. It was adjourned for 'legal advice'—fancy the Government having a case adjourned for legal advice!—and then it is abandoned by means of a 'friendly' chit to 'dear Manners.' If this kind of thing is to be repeated, say more than once a month, where are we to end? Our municipal affairs could not possibly be managed better than they are by men like Mr Tooker, could they? How long is this sort of muddling to last?

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, 14th January, 1896.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

The tone of the German Press is becoming more moderate, and the tension between the two countries is abating.

THE MEKONG QUESTION.

A settlement of the Mekong Question is imminent, Great Britain giving France the territory to the East of the Mekong.

THE TRANSVAAL.

The Transvaal Volksraad has resolved to largely increase its Artillery force.

THE following statistics are given in the *Illustrated Church Annual*:—The total amount voluntarily contributed in the British Isles by all sections of Christians in the financial year 1894, for promoting foreign missionary work, was 1,375,571*l*. This sum has been exceeded once only, in 1891. The channels of contribution selected by the donors were as follows:—Church of England Societies, 572,712*l*.; Joint Societies of Churchmen and Nonconformists, 211,466*l*.; Nonconformist Societies in England and Wales, 379,550*l*.; Scotch and Irish Presbyterian Societies, 195,944*l*.; Roman Catholic Societies, 15,879*l*.; total voluntarily contributed for 1894, 1,375,571*l*. Canon Scott Robertson estimates that of this total members of the Church of England contributed about 676,455*l*.

TACOMA papers to hand contain eulogistic references to Captain Crawford and crew of the N.P.R. steamer *Tacoma*, which arrived there at the end of November after an exceedingly stormy passage across the Pacific. One paper says:—'The officers and crew all did excellent work. Although the wind blew at 100 knots an hour and the vessel was washed almost continually by drenching waves, the men all stayed at their posts of duty. Several of the Chinese sailors were slightly injured. Wang Sing, of the Chinese officers, is highly complimented for his brave act in mounting the skylight and replacing the broken glass with boards to keep the water out of the saloon. He nailed the boards in place with the foam of seething sea sweeping over him. All on board the staunch steamer had fears she might be struck by a mighty swell, any moment, that would stave in her decks and hatches and cause her to sink like lead. The winds tore her shrouds and blew with fearful force against the masts which trembled perceptibly.'

WE learn that shortly after six o'clock on Sunday night (5th January), the steward of the Russian flag-ship, *Vladimir Monomakh*, was badly assaulted by a dozen jinrikisha-men and other coolies. The jinrikisha-man whom the steward had engaged, it appears, was dissatisfied with the fare paid him, and as the Russian considered ten cents ample for the distance he had been, he refused to pay more. The rikisha man held on to the Russian and followed him up Division Street. By the time they had reached as far as the grog-shop at the corner of the triangular block of buildings a number of coolies and jinrikisha-men had collected, and the Russian was set upon and roughly handled. He was thrown to the ground and belaboured with a club, and a heavy stone was also thrown at him. While he was on the ground, the Russian received a very severe wound on the head and another over the left temple, and had not Police-Constable Morgan appeared upon the scene at that moment, it is probable that he would have fared much worse. The coolies made off when they saw the constable, and the injured man had his wounds attended to in a neighbouring house. We understand the matter has been reported to the Russian Consul.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

REVIEW.

The CHINA-JAPAN WAR: Compiled from Japanese, Chinese and Foreign Sources. By Vladimir, lately of the * * * Diplomatic Mission to Corea. Illustrated. London: Sampson, Low, Marston and Co., Limited, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, Fleet Street, E.C., 1896.

'Vladimir,' the author of this book on the China-Japan War, describes himself as 'lately of the *** diplomatic mission to Corea,' which is the sort of description that any anonymous writer could take unto himself without challenge, whether the claim is genuine or not. The gullible section of the public would be caught by the alluring title, perhaps; the thinking reader would at once look in the book itself for some evidence of its writer's diplomatic eminence. He will not find much in this book. It is, as far as can be seen from a careful examination, nothing but a compilation of Japanese newspapers. Not that the book is for that reason to be condemned: far from it, for the Japanese newspapers are full of entertaining matter and much that is exceedingly valuable. There is a charm of a certain sort in Japanese pictures, when one is educated up to the point of appreciating them; the majority of the English-speaking public has not acquired the taste to the full, and is very apt to declare some of the pictures hideous. This book is full of illustrations, which are simply imaginative Japanese works of art reproduced by some photographic process, and most of them, especially the alleged portraits, are perfect gems of ugliness. Marshal Oyama, for instance, may not 'handsome very much,' as the Americans say, but his name is used in this book at the foot of a most libellous scarecrow. All the portraits seem to have been perpetrated in the same way, by taking a photograph not of the original but of a Japanese newspaper version thereof.

The facts set forth in the book are apparently undiluted Japanese newspaper—bristling with innumerable names, all monotonously outlandish and useless; full of laborious statistics, giving exact numbers and particulars of each gang of Chinese who fought and ran away, or rather who ran away simply. Like all the Japanese war reports, it is abominably bald. 'The So-and-so Brigade then proceeded in command of So-and-so from the post of So-and-so to So-and-so, driving out the enemy with great slaughter.' That is the one string of the harp. It is too much a string of names, meaningless names they mostly are to Europeans, who in some cases have nothing to guide them in distinguishing whether a name indicates a person, place, or something else. The author admits this defect in his preface, and he tries to enliven the proceedings by quotations from Thucydides—a comparison grossly unfair to the Peloponnesians, if not to the Athenians also. It would have been much better if he had cut out a great deal of superfluous geographical and biographical detail of the most uninteresting character; it is incredible that it all should be necessary.

The train of thought in the book, as far as there can be any independent train of thought in a mere translation and compilation, is of that immoderately pro-Japanese type which by its aggressiveness does more harm than good. For instance, at the very outset the writer utters the oft-repeated fiction that Japan has been 'found by the astonished world to possess an army and navy which can rank with the same institutions of Europe and America.' This wholesale slumping of the wide, wide world as a fit comparison where-by to seriously estimate the merits of Japan has become far too fashionable of late; it is as antagonistic to a sound and reliable judgment as was the previous blind faith in China. It is true that Japan has an army and a navy, and that there is much to be said in warm praise of both; it may be true that they are as good as any in the world; but it is not true that the recent war proves so much. 'Vladimir' is one of those who by twaddle in this exaggerated strain do so much to lead the poor well-meaning Japanese into all sorts of folly and disaster. It was the mad fancy of the Japanese at one time that they could crush the British Empire in revenge for some imaginary grievance they had against Admiral Fremantle; at another time a section—a vastly preponderating section—of the Japanese press was for war with Russia, if not the whole of Europe, and all because silly people like 'Vladimir' had filled them up with the notion that a victory over China proved their invincibility as against the whole world. And 'Vladimir' himself recognises the absurdity of the whole thing, when he says one of the 'battles' was 'a paltry affair, justly considered the most ridiculous on record—though it was surpassed later on.' Yet in face of his own scathing criticism of the war as a serious historical event, he is illogical enough to say that it was 'a revelation to the world of the strategical ability and coolness of her (Japan's) generals and admirals.' How could it be? How could a burlesque teach anything of the sort? It is this sort of unreflecting eulogy that shows the writer either does not know what he is saying or else is unscrupulous about it to a degree that makes his book valueless and to the ordinary reader dangerously misleading.

AFTER the Cup-tie.—'Did the captain of the football team keep his head?' 'Yes; his head and the upper portion of his trunk.'

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THE KAISER AND THE TRANSVAAL.

Of the spread of Education
People talk;
And they raise a deputation
For a walk;
Whilst the jaunty cabby jokers
Guy the 'breeches' and the 'chokers'
Of those very dreary drivellers
On the croak.

And the man who holds the reins
Of our power:
Hears the burden of their pains
For an hour;
Then he snubs them, O! so brightly,
Letting platitudes fall lightly
In a shower.

Now these dear and reverend souls,
Grieving sore,
Might give sundry savage growls,
And one more,
On the lack of history teaching,
And to Germany go preaching
On that score.

For a chap good sense forgetting,
With a rush;
And all sense of right upsetting,
In his push
For the empty trump of fame;
Puts his ancestry to shame,
By his gush.

To the Transvaal he says 'Go it,'
Fact! he wires
'You are right, and ought to show it;'
And aspires
To dictate to every nation
Its appropriate relation,
Till one tires.

Does the babbling crank forget,
(Maybe not,
For he's got to learn o'en yet,
Quite a lot)
How when Poland was divided,
Prussian greed a hook provided
For the pot?

When one's getting somewhat old,
Eyes grow dim:
But a story can be told,
Old and grim;
How they lopped old Denmark smaller,
And how Prussia grew taller
By a limb.

So, of course, it's not a right;
Not a bit:
But a sort of silly slight,
In a fit
Of mere boyish want of sense,
Which we ought to hall-mark 'dense'
Shallow wit.

Or, it may be fellow-feeling
Of a sort.
And we ought to out such squealing
Very short.
Camerconn or woman flogging,
Ought to set our memories jogging,
With a snort.

For the evidence is strong,
And complete;
That the Boers heap every wrong,
That defeat
Gives them power and scope to try,
On the hapless blacks who lie
At their feet.

GELASIUS.

CORRESPONDENCE.

'SPECTATOR' AND THE V.R.C.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, January 15.

SIR,—The writer of your Recreation Notes re V.R.C. and Gymnastics might have added the real cause of stagnation in one word—fossilization. Following the lead of Cricket, Football, Hockey, Golf, and any or all sporting combinations here, the V.R.C. has oliqued. The rising generation is athletic. Youths of origin other than British are pushing to the front in every game. This advance is distasteful to the British section, and holding the ground, and controlling socially the powers from whom the ground is held, they seek to choke the new element by a policy of masterly inactivity. Social position or local influence gives a man his place in a team. Failing a sufficiency of the elect, players of real talent may come in. Witness the H.K. team in the Interport shooting competition. For similar reasons the attempt is being made to keep up a Kowloon Rowing Club. I neither approve nor reprehend these mistaken attempts to establish caste. I merely point out that the people who rave about class legislation in the abstract, are the first who in practice look upon the crowd with horror, saying by their every act a truly Pharisaical 'I am holier than thou.'—Yours,

SPEAK AS YOU FIND.

THE ACCIDENT AT THE MOSQUE.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, January 16.

SIR,—The roof of an outhouse in the compound of the Mosque, used as rest-house for poor Mussulman travellers, fell in at 12 o'clock last night through dryrot, severely injuring three of the inmates, who were rescued from being buried in the debris by the assistance of several Portuguese gentlemen residing in the neighbourhood. One of the sufferers would have been suffocated had it not been for the timely succour rendered. Not being present at the unfortunate accident, I have no knowledge of the names of those gentlemen. I therefore request you to publish this as an acknowledgment and thanks for the service they have rendered.—Yours faithfully,

A FUCKEERA,
For Committee of Management.

THE MERCANTILE MARINE AND RECENT LEGISLATION.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, January 16.

SIR,—Where are the officials and members of the B. M. M. O. A. doing, the men who are supposed to be marching steadfastly shoulder to shoulder striving to improve each other and the profession they belong to? Where is the late energetic Secretary who was the life and backbone of the Association? I ask these questions on receiving a copy of 'a Bill to amend the Merchant Shipping Act of 1894.' What are they doing to see that the Bill shall be enforced in this Colony and in Shanghai where the law regarding mercantile shipping has been disregarded in the past? The new Act came into force at Home on the 1st of January, 1896; when will it become law in Hongkong?

I leave these questions to be answered by those interested, and enclose a copy of the Bill for your own information.

Thanking you in anticipation for space in your valuable columns,—Yours,

THE MAN ON THE LOOK-OUT.

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PATRIOTISM OF THE MITSU BISHI COMPANY.

The *Jiji* writes an article laudatory of the circumstance that the Mitsu Bishi yard at Nagasaki has taken a contract from the Nippon Yusen Kaisha to build one of the six big steamers of 7,500 tons each at a cost of 700,000 *yen*, which the company had decided to build in England for its new line to Europe. The Mitsu Bishi people agree to construct one identical to those to be built in Europe, and to do so at a price the same as that charged by the English builders. Many steamers have already been built in Japan, but so far no vessel of such a size—upwards of 7,000 tons—has ever been attempted in this country. The Mitsu Bishi yard is the best equipped of any private establishment of the kind in Japan, yet the accommodation there is still insufficient for building large steamers, the company having to import all the raw materials required. It will also have to hire foreign hands to start the work on such a large steamer. Under these circumstances the Mistu Bishi is prepared to lose some 100,000 *yen* in accepting the contract at the same price as that charged in England. Its object is to gather experience and improve the shipbuilding industry of the country.

The *Jiji* points out that the shipbuilding industry of Japan is still in its infancy, and even ordinary repairs to steamers cannot always be done satisfactorily. This is entirely due to want of experience in such work, and experience must be purchased with money. The Mitsu Bishi Company, however, intends to gather enough experience in such matters as will enable it to build a man-of-war of over 10,000 tons.—*Japan Advertiser*.

THE RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* telegraphed on Dec. 1:—The Russian Volunteer Fleet is destined to play such a prominent part in case of hostilities in the Far East that the following particulars, derived from an absolutely trustworthy source, will be read with interest. The Russian Volunteer Fleet is administered by a committee of delegates from the Ministries of Marine, Finance, and Commerce, together with several military and naval officers, including two generals. Their services are well remunerated, being paid by the Government. Ostensibly the object of the Volunteer Fleet is the development of Russian commerce in the Far East. As a matter of fact it has succeeded in no small measure, especially as regards the tea trade between China and Russia, which it has taken out of English hands. The Volunteer Fleet is also used for the transport of troops, convicts, and occasionally of free emigrants from over-populated portions of Russia. These emigrants are given considerable inducements to colonise Siberia. It is evident that for such a service vessels of from eighteen to twenty knots speed, like those of the Volunteer Fleet, are not required. They were obviously built with an entirely different object. If the Russians carry out their intention of running a local line of fast steamers between Vladivostok and Shanghai they would have two fleets of armed steamers in the waters of the Far East instantly available as either transports or fast cruisers—cruisers against which Great Britain's mercantile marine in those parts would be practically defenceless. The ships of the Volunteer Fleet are all of English construction. They do their builders the greatest credit. They are fine steamers of excellent model and general handiness, of which the largest are capable of carrying 2,000 troops in addition to a crew of more than 300 men. All the officers have been taken from the Imperial Navy. A portion of the Russian Press dwells upon the necessity of Russia's acquiring a coaling station for her ships in the Indian and Pacific Oceans, as the English and Japanese harbours where they at present obtain their supplies of coal may at some future time be unavailable. The *Novoe Vremya* points out that within easy reach of the northern coast of Sumatra, nearly in the same latitude as the Straits of Malacca, is situated the island of Pulo-Wai, which, although belonging to Holland, lies outside Dutch waters. According to the *Novoe Vremya* that island has two good harbours, one to the north and the other to the south, and a lake in its midst. It asks whether this would not be a desirable coaling station for Russia. It remarks that the coal procured from Cardiff is good but expensive, whereas that bought in Japan is of bad quality. A short time ago coal of good quality was discovered in South Sumatra, whence Russian ships at Pulo-Wai could easily take their supply. The island of Pulo-Wai is little value to the Dutch owing to the constant attacks of the Achinese. The cession of this small territory would not in any way damage the prestige of Holland—at least so says the *Novoe Vremya*.

OTHER COUNTRIES OTHER METHODS.

FRENCH *v.* BRITISH CONSULS.

The following sensible remarks are made in the *Overland Mail*:—

France has established six new Consulates in China. M. Berthelot explains that at the French Foreign Office there are two departments, which, as he says, are of equal importance, one of political affairs and one of commercial affairs. These appointments are justified, he adds, by the new conditions of France's relations to China as a result of the Franco Chinese treaty opening up to their trade a region containing 200,000,000 of souls. The number of millions of souls affected by the treaty is we think much exaggerated by M. Berthelot, but there are undoubtedly a sufficient number of bodies—souls don't eat, or wear clothes, or consume anything—of bodies with material wants and the means of paying for their satisfaction, to make the trade which France desires to absorb well worth a good deal of sacrifice. Hence two movements are on foot to secure this trade, one that of the French Government, the other that of the French merchants. The latter have sent a commercial mission to China, in which some energetic traders of Lille, Roubaix, Marseilles, Lyons, and Bordeaux have been furnishers of resources and ideas. The former increases the number of Consuls, which virtually means of French commercial agents and intriguers. For the French Consul in foreign parts is by no means merely an agent who discharges certain routine duties on behalf of his Government in connection with trade matters. He is not only a man who considers that it is his duty in every possible way to foster and to advance French interests, but not seldom he is to be found actively engaged in employing his official position to promote the business of private firms. Now this is a function which British Consuls are precluded from exercising. If a contract or concession is going with a municipality, a province or a government, it is useless for a British competitor to ask his Consul to help him in obtaining it. When a Frenchman goes to his Consul he gets assistance in such circumstances. So does the German from his Consul. When the French establish new Consulates in the Far East, they will do it to create agents for French trade, and centres for political intrigue.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

In his weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 15th January, Mr G. H. Potts writes:—The market has been very quiet and most stocks show a decline on last quotations. The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will again issue a good report, though it is not proposed to put so much to reserve this half year.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have weakened and shares are offering at 180 per cent premium. The London quotation of £40 is unchanged. Nationals are in the market at $27.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Union Insurance Society of Canton shares have dropped to $105 without any business resulting. China Traders have improved slightly and sales at $74 have been effected. Yangtsze have been sold at $120. Straits have been in better demand and sales have been made at $24½, the market closing fairly strong.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong Fires have ot maintained their position and have dropped again to $282½, at which rate shares are offering. China Fires have been sold at $90 and $91.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats are slightly easier and shares are in the market at $37. Indo-Chinas have been placed at $57½ and at $61 for April. China and Manilas are enquired for at $70. Douglas Steamships are a shade firmer and after sales at $50½ and $51 are wanted at the latter rate.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have suffered a decline and shares are offering at $111. Luzons are also in the market at $50.

MINING.—Pumjoms have changed hands at $4.80. The last telegram from the mine states that during December the mill ran 27 days, crushing 1000 tons of ore, yielding 431 ounces of gold. New Balmorals are enquired for at $1.60 and Jelebus at $2.75. Raubs have been placed at $·7 and $3.00, and are offering at the latter rate.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are quieter with shares offering at 147 per cent premium. Kowloon Wharf shares have been sold at, $184.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment shares have been placed at $69½ and $70. It is rumoured that the Company will pay the usual dividend of $2 per share for the half year, and carry forward about $46,000. Kowloon Lands are in the market at $16½.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements are quiet at $14. Brick and Cements were placed at $7½, but are weaker with shares offering at $7. The Directors of the Company have agreed, subject to the approval of the shareholders, to transfer the Company to the Green Island Cement Company on the following terms—viz. for cash at the rate of $6.66 per share or for shares in the Green Island Cement Company in the proportion of 11 Green Islands for 25 Brick shares at the option of each shareholder. A. S. Watsons have been placed at $12. Hongkong Electrics have found buyers at $64 and are wanted at this figure. Ropes are quoted at $150. Fenwicks are firm at $20. Ices have been in demand with the result that shares have changed hands at $90, $100 and $101. Tramways are offering at $90.

IT will be learnt with satisfaction (says the *N.-C. Daily News*) that Mr Thomas Hanbury, formerly of Shanghai, in recognition of his many benefactions and other services to Italy, has been created a Marquis by King Humbert.

WE learn from the *Osaka Mainichi* that a scheme is projected by certain enterprising men of Kobe for the reconstruction of the harbour. They are, hoping to get the financial support of two or three hundred men interested in the improvement before they launch the scheme. Already more than thirty have signified their willingness to help. There can be no question that there is room for considerable improvement in the harbour, and if that can be accomplished there is very little doubt that it will materially add to the prosperity of the place.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

THE following Berlin telegram, dated Dec. 3, appeared in the London papers:—With reference to the statements made in the Press that the German Imperial Government had concluded an agreement with China for the acquisition of a coaling station and naval establishment at Quemoy, near Amoy, the *Post* says it learns that nothing is known of this in quarters which could not fail to be fully informed on such a matter. Opinion is, indeed, divided, the journal says, as to the expediency of establishing a coaling station in Eastern Asia. At the present moment contracts are in existence with the great firms at Hongkong, Shanghai, Yokohama, and other ports for the supply of coal to war vessels in Asiatic waters, and these agreements remain in force until March 31, 1898.

JUDGE GORE—How did the silver debate come out? Did the Colonel carry his p'int? Major Bleed—Carry his p'int? Sah, the Colonel never carries less than a quart.

'Oh, Edith, there's that lovely escort you had last summer, the Count De Lusk, selling ribbons at the further counter.' 'So it is. Don't let's recognise him, dear. He will prefer to remain incognito.'

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HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.13	30.22	30.18
Temperature	64	61	62
Humidity ...	75	80	76
Direction of Wind ...	E	ENE	E
Force	4	4	3
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air temperature on the 15th 67
Lowest open air temperature on the 16th 61

F. J. EVES,
First Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 16, 1896.

Temperature.

(*Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.*)

HONGKONG, January 16, 1896.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M. ...	30.18
Do.	1 P.M. ...	30.12
Do.	4 P.M. ...	30.09
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M. ...	62
Do.	1 P.M. ...	63
Do.	4 P.M. ...	65
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.	61
Do. Do.	1 P.M.	62
Do. Do.	4 P.M.	63
Do. Maximum ...	...	66
Do. Minimum overnight		61

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Jan. 25, at noon.
China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Feb. 8, at noon.
Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Feb. 22, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched for NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and SAN FRANCISCO, *vid* YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 25th January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the **INLAND SEA OF JAPAN**, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

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Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 6, 1896. 38

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Feb. 1, at noon.
Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	TUESDAY, March 3, at noon.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Mar. 21, at noon.

THE Steamship *BELGIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *vid* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 1st February, 1896, at Noon, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the **INLAND SEA OF JAPAN** and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

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Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

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J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 14, 1896. 102

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NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;

ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 22nd January, 1896, at Noon, the Company's S.S. *SYDNEY*, Commandant AUBERT, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 21st January, 1896 (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

C. TOURNAIRE,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 8, 1896. 58

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

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THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Karlsruhe	Tuesday \| February 4.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday \| March 3.
Preussen	Tuesday \| March 31.
Sachsen	Tuesday \| April 28.
Karlsruhe	Tuesday \| May 26.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday \| June 23.

ON TUESDAY, the 4th day of February, 1896, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *KARLSRUHE*, Captain WALTER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 1st February, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 6 p.m., on MONDAY, the 3rd February, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 3rd February. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

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Hankow	3,594	Tuesday	Mar. 10.
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday	April 7.

THE Steamship *TACOMA*, Captain CRAWFORD, sailing at Noon, on THURSDAY, the 23rd January, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, *vid* SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

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Hongkong, January 8, 1896. 2446

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Hongkong, December 28, 1895. 2404



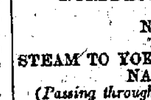
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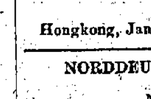
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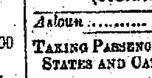
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Hongkong, January 14, 1896. 105

FOR SINGAPORE, THURSDAY ISLAND AND SYDNEY.



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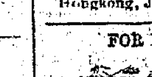
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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.
(*Passing through the* INLAND SEA).



The Co.'s Steamship *Hohenzollern*, Captain P. WETTIN, will leave for the above Ports on or about SUNDAY, the 19th Instant.

For further Particulars, apply to

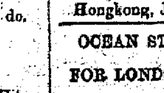
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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.



The Co.'s Steamship *Karlsruhe*, Captain H. WALTER, due here with the outward German Mail about the 18th Inst., will leave for the above place about 24 hours after arrival.

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THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Aslours	Tuesday	21st Jan.

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The Steamship *Aslours* will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, *via* KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 21st Instant.

Consular Invoice of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1896. 111

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).



The Steamship *Rhodora*, Capt. WILLIAMS, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Noon, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Agents.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Achilles*, Captain HARVEY, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 23rd Instant.

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Agents.

Hongkong, January 7, 1896. 49

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship *Eton*, Captain BROPHY, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 23rd Instant.

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Hongkong, January 15, 1896. 113

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

The Steamship *Glamorganshire*, Captain VYVIAN, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 28th Instant, instead of as previously advertised.

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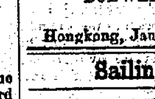
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Shipping.

Steamers.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON AND LIVERPOOL (DIRECT),
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The Co.'s Steamship *Chingtoo*, JAMES GRAY, Comm'der, will be despatched as above on or about the 22nd Instant.

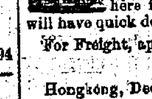
For Freight, apply to

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Agents.

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FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL

(FOLLOWING THE S.S. *Annandale* AND *Teviotdale*).



The Steamship *Fallodon Hall*, Captain KILVERT, will be despatched for the above Port on or about 23rd Instant.

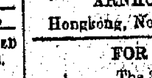
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SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, January 6, 1896. 41

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* PORTS OF CALL.



The Co.'s Steamship *Kaisow*, E. WARBALL, Comm'der, will be despatched as above on or about the 30th Instant.

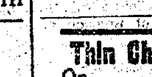
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FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

FOLLOWING THE S.S. *Polyphemus*.



The Steamship *Lennox* will be despatched about 4th February.

S.S. *Port Adelaide* will be despatched about 18th February.

S.S. *Ghazee* will be despatched about 4th March.

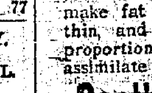
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Hongkong, January 4, 1896. 32

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.



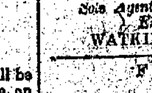
The 100 *A.I.* British Ship *Brodick Castle*, FERGUSON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, December 5, 1895. 2277

FOR NEW YORK.



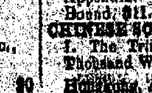
The 3/3 *A.I.* American Ship *John R. Kelly*, Capt. CHAPMAN, having arrived, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, November 21, 1895. 2172

FOR NEW YORK.



The 3/3 *L.I.* American Ship *Daniel Barnes*, ROGERS, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will be despatched on or about the 15th February, 1896.

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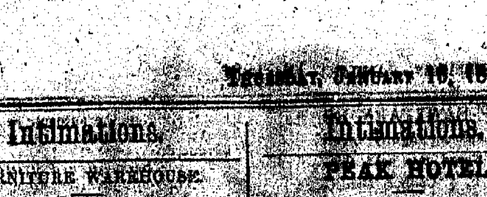
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Stocks.	*No. of Shares.*	*Par.*	*Paid up.*	*Closing Quotations, Cash.*
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp. New Issue	80,000	$125	all	150 ¼ prem. =$359 sales & [sellers
Bank of China & Japan, Limited preference shares	39,950	£ 5	£ 5	num.
" ordinary "	199,875	£ 5	£ 1.10	nom.
" deferred "	1,250	£ 5	£ 1	£2, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	..	£ 10	£ 8.10	£27
MARINE INSURANCE.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$190, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	74, sales and sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	$ 100	$ 50	22½, sellers
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 100	$ 20	$24½, buyers
Union Insurance Society Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 25	$105, sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	60	$120, sales
FIRE INSURANCE.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	$ 20	$91, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	6,000	$ 200	$ 50	$252½, sellers
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Wampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$ 125	all	147 ½ prem. =$368¾, sellers
STEAMSHIPS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	5,000	$ 50	all	$70
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$51.
H.K. Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 20	all	$37, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$58, sellers
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£ 10	£ 10	18.5
Do. (new issue)	20,000	£ 10	£ 5	£2.10
			£ 5	£2.10
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	all	$111
Lanao Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$ 100	all	$99, sellers
WHARVES.				
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$ 50	all	$48, sellers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited	2,500	$ 100	$ 37½	$42, sellers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	$ 50	$70, sales and sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company,	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$16, sales
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co.	25,400	$ 10	all	$24, sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 40	$19½
TRAMWAYS.				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$ 100	all	$90, sellers
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Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 4	all	$4.90, sales
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	12,000	Frs. 500	Frs. 500	$75
New Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 3	all	$1.60
Raub Anat. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	300,000	£ 1	12/10	$3.90, sellers
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Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	6,000	$ 10	all	$9
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